## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## EARLY PUBLIC REVIEW OF A PROPOSAL TO SUPPORT ACTIVITIES IN THE 100 YEAR FLOODPLAIN AND/OR WETLANDS

The State of Louisiana has received funding under the FY 2006 Department of Defense Appropriations Act, and has received approval from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery funds in accordance with the "Notice of Funding Availability" published in the *Federal Register* on February 13, 2006. The State, through its Office of Community Development, intends to carry out actions which in part may affect or be affected by the 100 year floodplain and/or wetlands and seeks to involve the public in the decision making process. This review is conducted in accordance with Executive Orders 11988 and 11990.

The planned projects are included in the State's homeowner assistance program, entitled "The Road Home". Homeowners located with the thirty-eight parishes most affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita are eligible for this assistance. Financial incentives and advisory services will be available for homeowners who wish to:

Repair – incentives to promote rehabilitation,

Rebuild – financial incentives to reconstruct on the same site if repair is infeasible or not economically viable.

Buyout/Relocate – purchase of the home by the program in exchange for an agreement to resettle in Louisiana, or

Sell – voluntary sale of the home with no requirements to resettle or otherwise remain in the community.

Additional information about this program and/or copies of the State's amended Action Plan describing the program in detail is available on the internet at http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/cdbg/cdbg.htm and at the Office of Community Development, Claiborne Building, Suite 7-270, 1201 North Third Street in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Written comments regarding this issue should be received by the Office of Community Development no later than 15 days after publication of this notice in order to be considered by the State in its decision process. Comments should be sent to Ms. Susan Elkins, Executive Director, Office of Community Development, at Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70804-9095.

## Vieţnamese:

Muốn biết thêm chi tiết về Kế Hoạch Hành Động, xin gọi số (225) 342-7412 hoặc viết về địa chỉ điện thư paul.catrou@la.gov.

## Spanish

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